

## **Terms & Conditions**

### **1. INTERPRETATION**

#### **1.1 Definitions.** In these Conditions, the following definitions apply:

**Business Day:** a day (other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday) when banks in London are open for business.

**Conditions:** the terms and conditions set out in this document [as amended from time to time in accordance with clause 11.4].

**Contract:** the contract between the Supplier and the Customer for the sale and purchase of the Goods in accordance with these Conditions.

**Customer:** the person or firm who purchases the Goods from the Supplier.

**Force Majeure Event:** has the meaning given in clause 10.

**Goods:** the goods (or any part of them) set out in the Order.

**Order:** the Customer's order for the Goods, as set out in the Customer's written acceptance of the Supplier's quotation or verbal communication including any late verbal change to specification by customer.

**Supplier:** Highnett Limited (registered in England and Wales with company number 2998901).

#### **1.2 Construction.** In these Conditions, the following rules apply:

- (a) A **person** includes a natural person, corporate or unincorporated body (whether or not having separate legal personality).
- (b) A reference to a party includes its personal representatives, successors or permitted assigns.
- (c) A reference to a statute or statutory provision is a reference to such statute or provision as amended or re-enacted. A reference to a statute or statutory provision includes any subordinate legislation made under that statute or statutory provision, as amended or re-enacted.
- (d) Any phrase introduced by the terms **including**, **include**, **in particular** or any similar expression shall be construed as illustrative and shall not limit the sense of the words preceding those terms.
- (e) A reference to **writing** or **written** includes faxes and e-mails.

### **2. BASIS OF CONTRACT**

2.1 These Conditions apply to the Contract to the exclusion of any other terms that the Customer seeks to impose or incorporate, or which are implied by trade, custom, practice or course of dealing.

2.2 The Order constitutes an offer by the Customer to purchase the Goods in accordance with these Conditions. The Customer is responsible for ensuring that the terms of the Order are complete and accurate.

2.3 The Order shall only be deemed to be accepted when the Supplier issues a written acceptance of the Order, by email or issuing a purchase order document at which point the Contract shall come into existence.

2.4 The Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. The Customer acknowledges that it has not relied on any statement, promise or representation made or given by or on behalf of the Supplier which is not set out in the Contract.

2.5 Any samples, drawings, descriptive matter, or advertising produced by the Supplier and any descriptions or illustrations contained in the Supplier's catalogues or brochures are produced for the sole purpose of giving an approximate idea of the Goods described in them. They shall not form part of the Contract or have any contractual force.

2.6 A quotation for the Goods given by the Supplier shall not constitute an offer. A quotation shall only be valid for a period of 60 Business Days from its date of issue.

### **3. GOODS**

3.1 The Goods are described in the Supplier's quotation.

3.2 The Supplier reserves the right to amend the specification of the Goods if required by any applicable statutory or regulatory requirements.

### **4. DELIVERY**

4.1 The Supplier shall ensure that each delivery of the Goods is accompanied by a delivery note which shows all relevant Customer and Supplier reference numbers, the type and quantity of the Goods (including the code number of the Goods, where applicable), special storage instructions (if any) and, if the Order is being delivered by instalments, the outstanding balance of Goods remaining to be delivered.

4.2 The Supplier shall deliver the Goods to the location set out in the Order or such other location as the parties may agree (**Delivery Location**) at any time after the Supplier notifies the Customer that the Goods are ready. Alternatively, where agreed by the Customer and the Supplier, the Customer shall collect the Goods from the Supplier's premises at Unit E1/E2 Raceview Business Centre, Hambridge Road, Newbury, Berks, RG14 5SA within 7 Business Days of the Supplier notifying the Customer that the Goods are ready.

- 4.3 Delivery of the Goods shall be completed on the Goods' arrival at the Delivery Location or, alternatively where the Customer and the Supplier agree to the Customer collecting the Goods, on the completion of loading of the Goods at the Delivery Location.
- 4.4 Any dates quoted for delivery are approximate only, and the time of delivery is not of the essence. The Supplier shall not be liable for any delay in delivery of the Goods that is caused by a Force Majeure Event or the Customer's failure to provide the Supplier with adequate delivery instructions or any other instructions that are relevant to the supply of the Goods.
- 4.5 If the Supplier fails to deliver the Goods, its liability shall be limited to the costs and expenses incurred by the Customer in obtaining replacement goods of similar description and quality in the cheapest market available, less the price of the Goods. The Supplier shall have no liability for any failure to deliver the Goods to the extent that such failure is caused by a Force Majeure Event or the Customer's failure to provide the Supplier with adequate delivery instructions or any other instructions that are relevant to the supply of the Goods.
- 4.6 If the Customer fails to accept delivery of the Goods within 7 Business Days of the Supplier notifying the Customer that the Goods are ready or alternatively to collect the Goods (where collection is agreed by the Customer and the Supplier), then, except where such failure or delay is caused by a Force Majeure Event or the Supplier's failure to comply with its obligations under the Contract:
- (a) delivery or collection (as applicable) of the Goods shall be deemed to have been completed at 9.00 am on the third Business Day after the day on which the Supplier notified the Customer that the Goods were ready; and
  - (b) the Supplier shall store the Goods until delivery takes place, and charge the Customer for all related costs and expenses (including insurance).
- 4.7 If 7 Business Days after the day on which the Supplier notified the Customer that the Goods were ready for delivery the Customer has not accepted delivery or, as the case may be, collected of the Goods, the Supplier may resell or otherwise dispose of part or all of the Goods and charge the Customer for any shortfall below the price of the Goods.
- 4.8 The Supplier may deliver the Goods by instalments, which shall be invoiced and paid for separately. Each instalment shall constitute a separate Contract. Any delay in delivery or defect in an instalment shall not entitle the Customer to cancel any other instalment.

## **5. QUALITY**

- 5.1 The Supplier warrants that on delivery, the Goods shall:
- (a) conform in all material respects with their description;
  - (b) be free from material defects in design, material and workmanship; and
  - (c) be of satisfactory quality (within the meaning of the Sale of Goods Act 1979).
  - (d) The manufacturer reserves the right to make changes and/or improvements in design and dimensions without notice & without obligation.
  - (e) Warranty Terms – If the product does not work as expected, please call 01635 40122 for free advice and assistance. If the problem cannot be resolved, the whole unit should be returned to us for evaluation and if necessary a repair under warranty. If the problem can be diagnosed, a replacement will be sent to replace the faulty item (if required). The component would then have to be fitted on site by a qualified person at the customer's expense. The faulty component must then be returned to us for further evaluation. If the item is found to be faulty or has been accidentally or otherwise damaged, a charge may then be payable by the customer. A site visit would be at our discretion.
- 5.2 Subject to clause 5.3, if:
- (a) the Customer gives notice in writing to the Supplier within a reasonable time of discovery that some or all of the Goods do not comply with the warranty set out in clause 5.1;
  - (b) the Supplier is given a reasonable opportunity of examining such Goods; and
  - (c) the Customer (if asked to do so by the Supplier) returns such Goods to the Supplier's place of business at the Customer's cost,
- the Supplier shall, at its option, repair or replace the defective Goods or part thereof or refund the price of the defective Goods in full.
- 5.3 The Supplier shall not be liable for Goods' failure to comply with the warranty set out in clause 5.1 in any of the following events:
- (a) the Customer makes any further use of such Goods after giving notice in accordance with clause 5.2;

- (b) the defect arises because the Customer failed to follow the Supplier's oral or written instructions as to the storage, commissioning, installation, use and maintenance of the Goods or (if there are none) good trade practice regarding the same;
- (c) the defect arises as a result of the Supplier following any drawing, design or Specification supplied by the Customer or lack of adequate Specification by the Customer;
- (d) the Customer alters or repairs such Goods without the written consent of the Supplier;
- (e) the defect arises as a result of fair wear and tear, wilful damage, negligence, or abnormal storage or working conditions; or
- (f) the Goods differ from their description as a result of changes made to ensure they comply with applicable statutory or regulatory requirements.

5.4 Except as provided in this clause 5, the Supplier shall have no liability to the Customer in respect of the Goods' failure to comply with the warranty set out in clause 5.1. No liability is accepted by the supplier for any losses the customer may experience due to the breakdown of this equipment other than repair to the unit under warranty.

5.5 The terms implied by sections 13 to 15 of the Sale of Goods Act 1979 are, to the fullest extent permitted by law, excluded from the Contract.

5.6 These Conditions shall apply to any repaired or replacement Goods supplied by the Supplier.

## **6. TITLE AND RISK**

6.1 The risk in the Goods shall pass to the Customer on completion of delivery.

6.2 Title to the Goods shall not pass to the Customer until the Supplier has received payment in full (in cash or cleared funds) for the Goods.

6.3 Until title to the Goods has passed to the Customer, the Customer shall:

- (a) hold the Goods on a fiduciary basis as the Supplier's bailee;
- (b) store the Goods separately from all other goods held by the Customer so that they remain readily identifiable as the Supplier's property;
- (c) not remove, deface or obscure any identifying mark or packaging on or relating to the Goods;
- (d) maintain the Goods in satisfactory condition and keep them insured against all risks for their full price from the date of delivery;
- (e) notify the Supplier immediately if it becomes subject to any of the events listed in clause 8.2; and
- (f) give the Supplier such information relating to the Goods as the Supplier may require from time to time,

but the Customer may resell or use the Goods in the ordinary course of its business.

6.4 If before title to the Goods passes to the Customer the Customer becomes subject to any of the events listed in clause 8.2, or the Supplier reasonably believes that any such event is about to happen and notifies the Customer accordingly, then, provided that the Goods have not been resold, or irrevocably incorporated into another product, and without limiting any other right or remedy the Supplier may have, the Supplier may at any time require the Customer to deliver up the Goods and, if the Customer fails to do so promptly, enter any premises of the Customer or of any third party where the Goods are stored in order to recover them.

## **7. PRICE AND PAYMENT**

7.1 The price of the Goods shall be the price set out in the Order.

7.2 The price of the Goods is exclusive of the costs and charges of packaging, insurance and transport of the Goods, which shall be invoiced to the Customer (unless otherwise agreed).

7.3 The price of the Goods is exclusive of amounts in respect of value added tax (**VAT**). The Customer shall, on receipt of a valid VAT invoice from the Supplier, pay to the Supplier such additional amounts in respect of VAT as are chargeable on the supply of the Goods.

7.4 The Supplier may invoice the Customer for the Goods prior to, on or at any time after the completion of delivery.

7.5 The Customer shall pay the invoice in full and in cleared funds within 30 Business Days of the date of the invoice. Payment shall be made to the bank account nominated in writing by the Supplier. Time of payment is of the essence.

7.6 If the Customer fails to make any payment due to the Supplier under the Contract by the due date for payment (**due date**), then the Customer shall pay interest on the overdue amount at the rate of [4]% per annum above Lloyds TSB plc base rate from time to time. Such interest shall accrue on a daily basis from the due date until the date of actual payment of the overdue amount, whether before or after judgment. The Customer shall pay the interest together with the overdue amount.

7.7 The Customer shall pay all amounts due under the Contract in full without any deduction or withholding except as required by law and the Customer shall not be entitled to assert any credit, set-off or counterclaim against the Supplier in order to justify withholding payment of any such amount in whole or in part. The Supplier may at any time, without limiting any

other rights or remedies it may have, set off any amount owing to it by the Customer against any amount payable by the Supplier to the Customer.

## **8. CUSTOMER'S INSOLVENCY OR INCAPACITY**

8.1 If the Customer becomes subject to any of the events listed in clause 8.2, or the Supplier reasonably believes that the Customer is about to become subject to any of them and notifies the Customer accordingly, then, without limiting any other right or remedy available to the Supplier, the Supplier may cancel or suspend all further deliveries under the Contract or under any other contract between the Customer and the Supplier without incurring any liability to the Customer, and all outstanding sums in respect of Goods delivered to the Customer shall become immediately due.

8.2 For the purposes of clause 8.1, the relevant events are:

- (a) the Customer suspends, or threatens to suspend, payment of its debts, or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due or admits inability to pay its debts, or (being a company) is deemed unable to pay its debts within the meaning of section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986, or (being an individual) is deemed either unable to pay its debts or as having no reasonable prospect of so doing, in either case, within the meaning of section 268 of the Insolvency Act 1986, or (being a partnership) has any partner to whom any of the foregoing apply;
- (b) the Customer commences negotiations with all or any class of its creditors with a view to rescheduling any of its debts, or makes a proposal for or enters into any compromise or arrangement with its creditors [other than (where the Customer is a company) where these events take place for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of the Customer with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of the Customer];
- (c) (being a company) a petition is filed, a notice is given, a resolution is passed, or an order is made, for or in connection with the winding up of the Customer, other than for the sole purpose of a scheme for a solvent amalgamation of the Customer with one or more other companies or the solvent reconstruction of the Customer;
- (d) (being an individual) the Customer is the subject of a bankruptcy petition or order;
- (e) a creditor or encumbrancer of the Customer attaches or takes possession of, or a distress, execution, sequestration or other such process is levied or enforced on or sued against, the whole or any part of its assets and such attachment or process is not discharged within [14] days;
- (f) (being a company) an application is made to court, or an order is made, for the appointment of an administrator or if a notice of intention to appoint an administrator is given or if an administrator is appointed over the Customer;
- (g) (being a company) a floating charge holder over the Customer's assets has become entitled to appoint or has appointed an administrative receiver;
- (h) a person becomes entitled to appoint a receiver over the Customer's assets or a receiver is appointed over the Customer's assets;
- (i) any event occurs, or proceeding is taken, with respect to the Customer in any jurisdiction to which it is subject that has an effect equivalent or similar to any of the events mentioned in clause 8.2(a) to clause 8.2(h) (inclusive);
- (j) the Customer suspends, threatens to suspend, ceases or threatens to cease to carry on all or substantially the whole of its business;
- (k) the Customer's financial position deteriorates to such an extent that in the Supplier's opinion the Customer's capability to adequately fulfil its obligations under the Contract has been placed in jeopardy; and
- (l) (being an individual) the Customer dies or, by reason of illness or incapacity (whether mental or physical), is incapable of managing his or her own affairs or becomes a patient under any mental health legislation.

8.3 Termination of the Contract, however arising, shall not affect any of the parties' rights and remedies that have accrued as at termination. Clauses which expressly or by implication survive termination of the Contract shall continue in full force and effect.

## **9. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

9.1 Nothing in these Conditions shall limit or exclude the Supplier's liability for:

- (a) death or personal injury caused by its negligence, or the negligence of its employees, agents or subcontractors (as applicable);
- (b) fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation;
- (c) breach of the terms implied by section 12 of the Sale of Goods Act 1979;
- (d) defective products under the Consumer Protection Act 1987; or

- (e) any matter in respect of which it would be unlawful for the Supplier to exclude or restrict liability.

9.2 Subject to clause 9.1:

- (a) the Supplier shall under no circumstances whatever be liable to the Customer, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, or otherwise, for any loss of profit, loss of revenue, loss of use, loss of contracts or any indirect or consequential loss arising under or in connection with the Contract; and
- (b) the Supplier's total liability to the Customer in respect of all other losses arising under or in connection with the Contract, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, or otherwise, shall in no circumstances exceed the price of the Goods.

**10. FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither party shall be liable for any failure or delay in performing its obligations under the Contract to the extent that such failure or delay is caused by a Force Majeure Event. A **Force Majeure Event** means any event beyond a party's reasonable control, which by its nature could not have been foreseen, or, if it could have been foreseen, was unavoidable, including strikes, lock-outs or other industrial disputes (whether involving its own workforce or a third party's), failure of energy sources or transport network, acts of God, war, terrorism, riot, civil commotion, interference by civil or military authorities, national or international calamity, armed conflict, malicious damage, breakdown of plant or machinery, nuclear, chemical or biological contamination, sonic boom, explosions, collapse of building structures, fires, floods, storms, earthquakes, loss at sea, epidemics or similar events, natural disasters or extreme adverse weather conditions, or default of suppliers or subcontractors.

**11. GENERAL**

**11.1 Assignment and subcontracting.**

The Customer may not assign, transfer, charge, subcontract or deal in any other manner with all or any of its rights or obligations under the Contract without the prior written consent of the Supplier.

**11.2 Waiver.**

A waiver of any right or remedy under the Contract is only effective if given in writing and shall not be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach or default. No failure or delay by a party to exercise any right or remedy provided under the Contract or by law shall constitute a waiver of that or any other right or remedy, nor shall it preclude or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy. No single or partial exercise of such right or remedy shall preclude or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy.

**11.3 Third party rights.**

A person who is not a party to the Contract shall not have any rights under or in connection with it.

**11.4 Variation.**

Except as set out in these Conditions, any variation to the Contract, including the introduction of any additional terms and conditions, shall only be binding when agreed in writing and signed by the Supplier. We reserve the right to change these terms & conditions at any time and you agree to abide by the most recent version as available on our website.

**11.5 Governing law and jurisdiction.**

The Contract, and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims), shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, English law, and the parties irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.